



Unlock your iPhone
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iUnlock Solution Tutorial

HOW TO UNLOCK IPHONE

Step by Step



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Unlocking, activating and jailbreaking the original iPhone

This tutorial will help you do the following to your iPhone:

- [Activate the iPhone](#)
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This tutorial assumes you are on a PC with Windows XP or Windows Vista. After you are done you can of course use your iPhone with any PC or Mac.

Note: You may also follow this tutorial if you have an iPhone with old firmware, and want to upgrade to latest version. Even if you already upgraded by mistake, and your phone is not usable, following this tutorial will in most cases fix it. If not, just contact us and we'll help you.

*The tutorial was last updated November 23rd, 2008. **This tutorial is for guiding to unlock original iPhone.***

New! iPhone 3G SIM-lock is now possible to unlock!----iUnlock Pro 3G is available on website - www.unlockiphonelive.net
iUnlock Pro 3G can not only activate and jailbreak, but unlock SIM-lock in iPhone 3G that prevents from getting signal with other SIM-cards than the original. In addition to unlocking the SIM-lock our tutorial will also explain how to install the Installer and Cydia applications, giving you access to many great applications that Apple does not have in their App Store.

Preparation and software downloads

Before you start, you should remove any SIM-card from the iPhone.

You'll need to download two files - the iUnlock PC software, and the iPhone software:

1. **iUnlock PC-software** - 16MB
This is a self extracting zip.
2. **The latest iPhone firmware file** - 246MB.
*Make sure you save it as a .ipsw file, and remember where you save it. You should **not** open it as an archive and extract files from it.*

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You will also need to have iTunes 8.0 or higher installed. If you do not already have that, you can download iTunes here: <http://www.apple.com/itunes/download/> - You can check your version by clicking Help → About iTunes. Version number is shown on the first line that scrolls upwards.

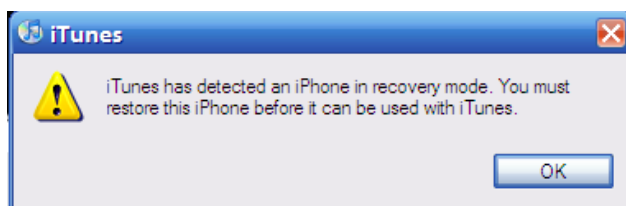
Restoring/Upgrading Your iPhone to newer Version

This step may be skipped if you are sure you already have new version installed on your phone, but we recommend to do it anyway to ensure that your phone is in a completely fresh state.

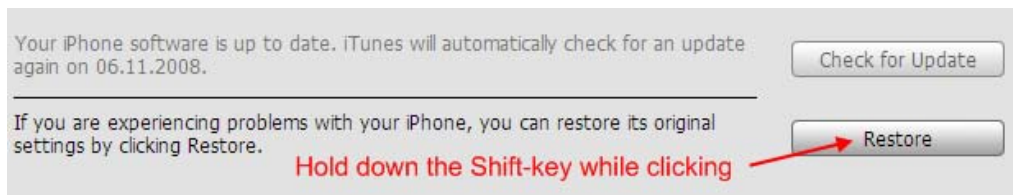
Turn off your phone by holding the power button for 5 seconds, and then drag the slider to power it off. Disconnect the cable if it's connected (or remove it from the dock). Start up iTunes.

Hold down the Home button on the phone while connecting the USB-cable. (or putting it in the dock) Keep holding the button, and after a few seconds the phone will show a picture of a cable and the iTunes icon.

When the PC detects the phone, iTunes will show a message telling you that the phone needs to be restored:



Click OK, and then **hold down the SHIFT-key** on your keyboard while clicking the "Restore" button:



A file dialog will show, letting you pick a file firmware. You need to select the iPhone firmware file (.ipsw) you downloaded in the previous step. Browse to the path you downloaded the file to and double-click on the firmware file

The restore process will now start. It will take around 10 minutes to complete. If you get an error message, please make note of the error, and contact us.

When the restore is complete, your iPhone should show a picture of a cable and the iTunes icon, but now with a slider that says "Slide for emergency" in various languages. You may proceed to the next step.

Unlocking the iPhone Using QuickPwn

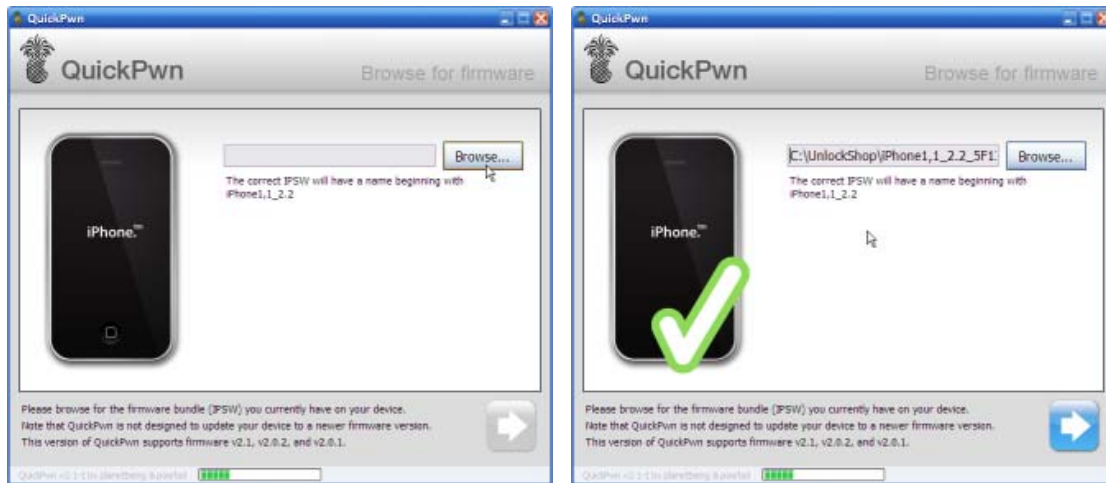
Open the application you downloaded earlier and make sure your iPhone is still connected to the PC.

Note: If you get error "The application failed to initialize properly (0xc0000135)" you need to install [.NET Framework 2.0](#) first.

1: When the application starts, click the blue arrow.



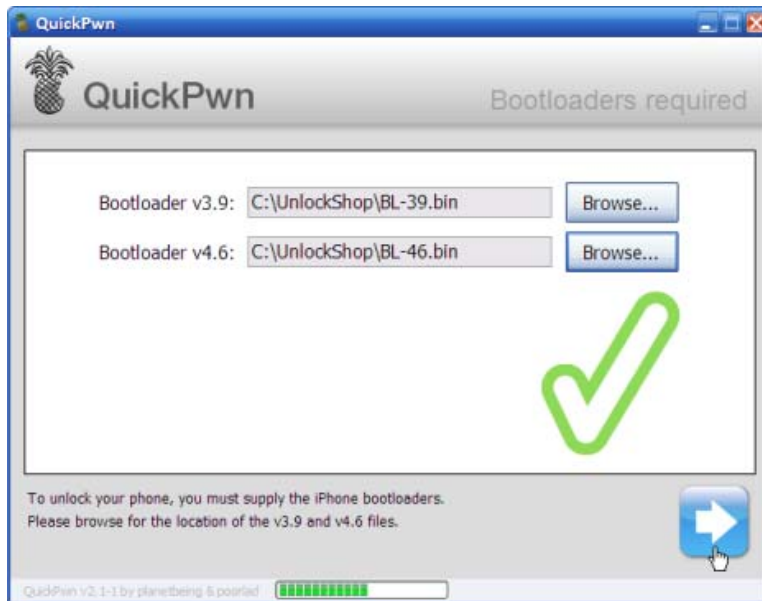
2: On the next screen the application needs to load the iPhone firmware file you downloaded earlier. If iTunes has already downloaded that file, it will be loaded automatically. If not, click the browse button, and navigate to the firmware file like you did previously. Click the arrow button to continue.



3: On this screen you must check *Unlock phone*. You may also optionally check *Add Cydia* or/and *Add Installer* - these are applications that lets you install third party applications and tweaks not approved by Apple. **Click here for more info about i Cydia and Installer.** You can check *Replace boot logos* if you want the white apple that shows when your phone is starting, to be replaced by a pineapple. Click the arrow button to continue.



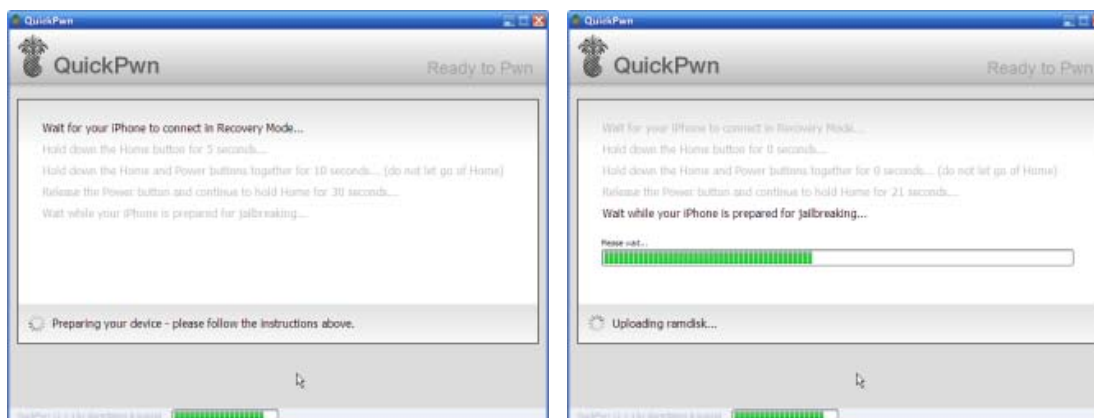
4: On this screen you must select Bootloader files. These are located in extracting folder. Load the BL-3.9.bin file in the upper one, and the BL-4.6.bin file in the lower one, and click the arrow to go to the next screen.



5: Now you are told to ensure that your phone is connected. Before you click the button, hold your iPhone in your hand, and make sure the other hand is free. And remember that the Home button is the round one on the front, and the Power button is the one on the top of the phone. Now you can click the button:

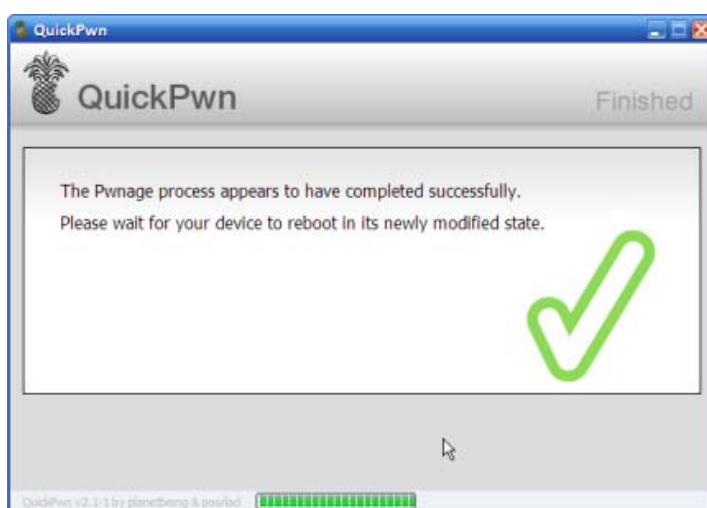


6: At this screen you must just follow the instructions, and try to avoid getting stressed. If you are successful, you'll see things starting to appear on your phone:



If you get an error message saying "Your device has connected in the wrong mode", **don't** click OK, just move it away. Then hold down both the home button and the power buttons until the phone screen turns black. Wait about 2 seconds after the screen turned black before you release the power button - but keep holding the Home button. After about 15 seconds, you should see that the application starts working again. Just wait, and still, do not click OK on the error message.

7: Now your phone firmware is getting modified. This will take about almost 5 minutes. When it's done it will reboot the phone and the *Slide for emergency* screen is gone. You may now insert any SIM card you like!



IMPORTANT: The phone is not permanently unlocked. If you restore or upgrade your firmware later, the phone will get locked again. It's very important that you do not upgrade to any newer version, before you are sure that it's possible to unlock that version. So click No if iTunes asks you to upgrade your phone, and log in to our customer area, where you will post info every time a new version is released by Apple.

Troubleshooting and Frequently Asked Questions

Problem with "Different SIM detected" and "Slide for emergency"

In some very rare cases, the phone will not get activated properly, causing a "Different SIM detected" message and you are stuck at the "Slide for emergency" screen.

Solution: In most cases, this problem is solved if go through this tutorial from the start again, but this time make sure that you have no SIM-card inserted. If you didn't have any SIM-card inserted the first time, try with the SIM-card you want.

Explanations for iPhone Words and Phrases

- **Activation:** iPhone is in an inactive state when purchased. It will show a picture of a cable and the iTunes logo, and the text Slide for emergency in various languages is shown at the bottom. It's supposed to be activated in iTunes when Apple verify that you have signed up for a phone plan, but the method described in this tutorial will completely bypass this activation without involving Apple's checks.
- **Unlock SIM-lock:** The iPhone is set up to only work with SIM-cards from the carrier you bought the phone with. If you insert any other SIM-card, you will get a message asking you to insert the correct SIM-card, and you will not get any signal. Unlocking the SIM-lock makes the phone work with any SIM-card.
- **Jailbreak:** The file system on the phone is locked, meaning that you can not browse or change files and applications on the phone. You can't install new applications either, without using App Store. The process of jailbreaking the phone unlocks the file system, so that you have full control of all files and applications on the phone. While jailbreaking it's normal to install Cydia and Installer, to make it easier to install new applications.
- **Cydia and Installer:** These are two third party applications that works somewhat like App Store, with a major difference: Any applications and tweaks can be published here, without going through Apples extremely strict and limited official way of distributing applications. But be careful, these applications and tweaks are not always reliable, and may cause problems on your phone, or even make it stop working (following this tutorial from the start will fix it again).
- **Home and Power buttons:** The round button at the front bottom of the phone is called the Home button. The button at the top is called the Power button.
- **Firmware:** This is the software that contains the operating system on your phone.

Extra Information and Tips

How to move and reorder icons

If you hold down any icon in two seconds, the icons starts to wiggle, and you can drag them around to change the order of the icons. Drag the icon to the right if you want to move it to a new page.

Setting menu and writing language

To change the menu language on your phone, and selecting which dictionary it should use, go to **Settings** → **General** → **International**.

Taking a screenshot of your iPhone display

To take a screenshot of the current display on your iPhone, hold down the Home button then press the Power button. The screen will flash white, and the image is saved into your camera roll.